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C O N F I D E N T I A L KATHMANDU 4423

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PORG, UNSC, NP, UN
SUBJECT: ROTATION OF NEPALESE UNIFIL CONTINGENT

REF: STATE 212573

1. THE EMBASSY APPRECIATES THE DEPARTMENT'S RAPID RESPONSE
(REFTEL) TO OUR REQUEST FOR GUIDANCE ON THE NEPALESE UNFIL
CONTINGENT.

2. ON AUGUST 24, THE AMBASSADOR CALLED ON FOREIGN SECRETARY
BHATT TO EXPRESS WASHINGTON'S GRATIFICATION WITH THE GON'S
ROTATIONAL PLANNING AND READINESS TO CONTINUE ITS TROOP CON-
TRIBUTION. THE AMBASSADOR EXPLAINED THAT THE MECHANICS OF

THE ROTATION, WHICH WOULD BE FUNDED FROM THE UNIFIL BUDGET,
SHOULD BE WORKED OUT DIRECTLY BETWEEN NEPAL AND THE UN IN
NEW YORK, WHERE USUN WOULD ASSIST IN WORKING OUT THE ARRANGE-
MENTS IS DESIRED.

3. BHATT SAID HE UNDERSTOOD THIS AS MEANING THAT THE SERVICES
OF ROYAL NEPAL AIRLINES CORPORATION FOR ROTATION
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TRANSPORT COULD BE CONSIDERED, IF COST EFFECTIVE,
AND THAT NEPAL COULD SEEK US TRANSPORT ASSISTANCE
IF NECESSARY.

4. BHATT ALSO SAID THAT NEPAL ANTICIPATED A STAGGERED
ROTATION, WITH A PLANE FERRYING NEW TROOPS TO LEBANON
AND BRINGING FORCES BACK TO NEPAL ABOUT ONCE EVERY 15

DAYS UNTIL THE ROTATION WAS COMPLETED.

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